

1 clearly understood by the delegates.

2 The first point is that this provision and this
3 recommendation poses absolutely no threat to administrative
4 agencies or administrative law. These agencies have been
5 delegated legislative, executive and judicial power.
6 They have proliferated over the past 40 to 50 years
7 all the time while this provision has been in the
8 constitution -- that is point number one.

9 Point number two, the necessity for keeping
10 this provision in the constitution has not been eliminated
11 because we simply provide in this constitution that the
12 executive power shall be vested in the governor, the judicial
13 power shall be vested in the courts, and the legislative
14 power shall be vested in the General Assembly.

15 That power has been vested in those groups under
16 prior constitutions, and we have had, at the same time,
17 this provision continuing in our constitution back to 1776.

18 This Committee proposal is absolutely necessary
19 if you want to prevent one thing, and one thing only, and
20 that is a delegation of legislative power to another branch
21 of the government -- not to an administrative agency.